



Glen Huntington Band Shell

The Glen Huntington Band Shell was constructed in 1938 and designated as an individual landmark in 1995. The band shell and its site were designed by local architect Glen Huntington and landscape architect Saco R. DeBoer. As a locally designated landmark, changes within the landmark boundary require review and approval through a Landmark Alteration Certificate and must meet the criteria set forth in Chapter 9-11-18, B.R.C., 1981. Landmark Alteration Certificate applications approved or denied by the Landmarks Board are subject to review by the City Council.

Civic Area activation

- As a result of positive community feedback following the lighting of the Band Shell as part of the “Snow Much Fun” events in December 2015, the city has continued to light the Band Shell at night, highlighting its architectural character.
- Parks and Recreation staff have been working in partnership with local bands/organizations to host events at the Band Shell for the 2016 season. The partnerships include revising the permitting process for the Band Shell and developing sponsorship opportunities for City-produced Activation. As of mid-April, events are being finalized at the Band Shell every weekend through September. The broad range of events include:
 - June 19 Ballet
 - June 18, July 23 & August 27 Concert Series
 - (Date TBD) Opera
- Increased programming of the Band Shell will provide an opportunity to assess what works and what doesn’t through the 2016 season, assisting in planning future events at the venue.

Physical Alterations

- In October 2015, the Landmarks Board approved changes within the Band Shell’s landmark boundary, including the removal of the 1950s seating, and regrading and introduction of a path, subject to a number of conditions requiring review by Landmarks Board Design Review Committee (Ldrc). However, the city has decided not to move forward in the near term with this design proposal but rather to consider all changes to the east end of the Civic Area comprehensively to include:
 - The corridor study for Canyon Boulevard (Complete Streets) and other design options for the 1300 Block or East Bookend;
 - The Market Hall Feasibility Study, which also considers opportunities in both the short and long-term to better integrate the Farmers’ Market into the Civic Area;
 - The Arapahoe underpass project; and
 - Central Park Design.
- A Landmark Alteration Certificate application has been submitted for the repainting of the wooden seats. A “Paint the Seats” event has been scheduled for May 17 to engage the community in improving the appearance of the site.
- The Parks and Recreation Department also intends to submit for a Landmark Alteration Certificate application to repaint the Band Shell in the current paint scheme to improve its appearance by eliminating graffiti and mismatched patches.

Related Civic Area city project findings to contribute to future Band Shell decisions

Related projects include the Canyon Complete Streets Study and further Market Hall Analysis. Upon completion of these analyses, the Landmarks Board and City Council will have more information available to make an informed decision on whether to make changes to the Band Shell location and seating. Such a discussion and decision will likely NOT occur until late 2016 or early 2017.

Canyon Boulevard Complete Street Study & Glen Huntington Band Shell

- The Canyon Boulevard Complete Street Study has begun and is developing design options to improve travel and the travel experience through urban design and placemaking for all users along and across Canyon Boulevard from 9th to 17th streets.
- Upcoming outreach efforts are intended to gain feedback on the design options developed and the measures to use to later evaluate the design options this summer. The spring outreach includes:
 - April 27, 2016 [Canyon Complete Streets](#) Open House, Boulder High School
 - *Seeking community feedback on design options and evaluation criteria*
 - *Meeting materials and project feedback forms will be available on Friday, April 29 at <https://bouldercolorado.gov/transportation/canyon-boulevard-complete-streets>*
 - May 18, 2016 Canyon Complete Streets, Joint Board Meeting
 - With TAB, PRAB, LB, DAB, DMC, PB and Library Commission
 - May 31, 2016 Canyon Complete Streets, City Council Study Session

Recommended design option to be developed in the fall, leading to another round of public meetings, boards/commissions recommendations and City Council decision.

- The project team will conduct a second phase of public outreach in the fall including a public meeting, board reviews and considerations of recommendations regarding the preferred design option for Canyon Boulevard, which will ultimately be brought to the City Council.
- The recommended design option, or preferred alternative, may or may not impact the Glen Huntington Band Shell (Band Shell).
- Any modifications to the Band Shell Landmark (including the seating area), will comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the city's standards for alterations to designated Landmarks. Such modifications will require review and approval by the Landmarks Board (subject to call up by City Council) per 9- 11-12 of the Boulder Revised Code.

